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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:** 

Claims 4, 5, and 7-9 are presented for examination. Claim 4 has been amended. This listing

of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:** 

Claim 1-3 (Cancelled):

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): An air permeable and waterproof membrane for clothing

comprising: A material for clothing comprising-

an asymmetric porous polytetrafluoroethylene membrane for clothing and

a woven or non-woven fabric,

wherein said asymmetric porous polytetrafluoroethylene membrane for clothing has a dense

skin layer and a continuously foamed porous layer; and the dense skin layer has an outer surface and

an inner surface, the inner surface being the surface directly next to the porous layer, and the outer

surface of the porous layer does not have an adhesive layer;

(1) the contact angle of water to the surface of said skin layer is 120 to 140°;

(2) the diffuse reflectance of light of said skin layer is 91 to 94%; and,

the woven or non-woven fabric is laminated on the outer surface of the dense skin layer of

said asymmetric porous polytetrafluoroethylene membrane for clothing.

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Claim 5 (Original): The material for clothing of Claim 4, wherein said woven fabric is

polyester, nylon or cotton.

Claim 6 (Cancelled):

Claim 7 (Previously Presented): The material for clothing of Claim 4, wherein said

asymmetric porous polytetrafluoroethylene membrane for clothing is obtained by drawing in a

biaxial direction.

Claim 8 (Previously Presented): The material for clothing of Claim 4, wherein said

asymmetric porous polytetrafluoroethylene membrane for clothing has a membrane thickness of 10

to 100  $\mu$ m.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): The material for clothing of claim 7, wherein said

asymmetric porous polytetrafluoroethylene membrane for clothing has a membrane thickness of 10

to 100  $\mu$ m.

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